5. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 103E.806, subd. 3, a public hearing notice shall be given of the hearing by mail to the owners of all property benefited by the drainage system, and either in a newspaper of general circulation within the affected drainage area or by publication on a website of the drainage authority.

Order:

Based on the foregoing Findings and the entire record of proceedings before the Board, the Joint Board, acting as the drainage authority for Judicial Ditch 48, hereby orders as follows:

1. A hearing on the Partial Abandonment for portions of Judicial Ditch 48, including the area described, shall be held on March 2, 2021, at 1:30 PM. Due to current restrictions the hearing will be held virtually. Details regarding the upcoming hearing are listed below.

Due to COVID-19, Blue Earth County has suspended some face-to-face services. Citizens may virtually participate in the hearing here:

https://zoom.us/j/95131634831?pwd=TEsrUWI5VWtNM0tDRjcxUmI2L0xyQT09 or by calling 1-877-853-5247 (Meeting ID: 951 3163 4831 and Passcode: 242682). This participation information will also be posted on the meeting agenda on the county's website the Thursday prior to the meeting: www.blueearthcountymn.gov/agendacenter

If anyone wishes to make public comment at the hearing, the County requests citizens complete the County Commissioner online form, using the following link: http://www.blueearthcountymn.gov/publiccomment

Written comment will also be accepted and read into the official record if received prior to the hearing. Comments can be mailed to the Blue Earth County Property and Environmental Resources Department at P.O. Box 3566, Mankato, MN, 56002-3566

2. At least ten days before the hearing, the Property and Environmental Resources Department shall mail notice of the time and location of the hearing to petitioners, owners of property benefitted by the Judicial Ditch 48 system, and political subdivisions likely to be affected by the proposed petition for Partial Abandonment for portions of Judicial Ditch 48.

After discussion, the Board Chair called the question. The question was on the adoption of the foregoing findings and order, and upon vote, the Chair declared the motion passed and the Findings and Order adopted.